

16 March 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 16 March 1982

The Director chaired the meeting. []

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The Director commented on the situation in Central America and said that officials need to observe discretion and not comment publicly on any of the allegations regarding CIA or U.S. Government options vis-a-vis Nicaragua and Cuba. []

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The Director noted that Identities Legislation will be voted on in the Senate at 2:00 today and that Senator Chafee claims to have 49 votes for his version of the bill. []

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The Director asked [] to keep a track of who on the Hill is getting briefed on what by CIA and keep him and senior officers informed. []

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In response to [] question, the Director said he would not attend the 17 March Cabinet Council meeting on Commerce and Trade but asked [] to send a representative re the discussion on the LANDSAT. []

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The Director opined that FOIA would probably not come before the Congress this year although Doswell did say House members appear to be more in favor of the Chafee version of the FOIA legislation than the Hatch bill. []

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Gates noted he, General Williams, D/DIA, and Hugh Montgomery, D/INR, will brief the SSCI on analysis and production. Gates said he had received a list of 21 questions from the Committee and that they are questions that deserve thoughtful answers. []

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Glerum reported that the DDO is sponsoring at 1400 on 18 March a symposium during which the Chief, Central Cover Staff will discuss proposed guidelines on cover and retirements. []

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Admiral Inman noted that on 19 November 1981 Bob Gates issued a memorandum, at the DDCI's request, on public appearances of Agency personnel. This guidance was to be incorporated into Headquarters Regulations and given the widest possible distribution throughout the Agency. According to Admiral Inman, this has not occurred and he asked all component heads and independent office chiefs to ensure compliance and for Fitzwater to issue implementing regulations. []

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